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ABSTRACT

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A brushless motor includes a circuit protecting case, a holder disposed on the case, a motor shaft rotatably held by the holder, a stator disposed about the holder, a yoke fixed to the motor shaft to rotate therewith, permanent magnets held by the yoke, and a circuit substrate held in the circuit protecting case. The stator includes a plurality of coils which surround the motor shaft. The circuit substrate contains a drive circuit and a control section. The drive circuit includes a switching section which switches the current path directed to the coils of the stator. A partition wall, provided in the circuit protection case, partitions the interior of the case into a first chamber and a second chamber.

IN THE CLAIMS:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1), please substitute for original claims 1 and 8 the following rewritten version of the same claims, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

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1. (Amended) A brushless motor comprising:
 - a circuit protecting case formed of plastic, the circuit case including a partition wall;
 - a holder disposed on said case;
 - a motor shaft rotatably held by said holder;
 - a stator disposed about said holder, said stator including a plurality of coils which surround said motor shaft;
 - a yoke fixed to said motor shaft to rotate therewith, said yoke covering said stator with a given space therebetween;
 - permanent magnets held by said yoke;
 - a circuit substrate held in said circuit protecting case;
 - a drive circuit arranged on said circuit substrate, said drive circuit including a switching section which switches the path of current directed to said coils of the stator and a control section which controls a switching timing of said switching section, said switching